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April 7, 2016

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communcations Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket 02-33 – Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service by Fremont Telcom Co. dba Fremont Communications (Study Area 472222)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the Commission's *Wireline Broadband Order*, Fremont Telcom Co. dba Fremont Communications (Fremont) hereby provides notice of its intent to discontinue offering wireline broadband Internet access service on a tariffed basis. Effective July 1, 2016, Fremont plans to offer wireline broadband Internet access service on a permissive detariffed, common carriage basis.

Please direct any questions to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Michelle Owens

Carrier and Regulatory Specialist regulatory@blackfoot.com

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Fremont Communications is part of the Blackfoot Telecommunications Group.

Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service Effective July 1, 2016

FREMONT TELCOM CO. DBA FREMONT COMMUNICATIONS (STUDY AREA CODE 472222)

1221 North Russell Street Missoula, MT 59808 Phone: 406-541-5000 regulatory@blackfoot.com

CC Docket No. 02-33

April 7, 2016

Fremont Telcom Co. dba Fremont Communications ("Fremont") hereby provides notice that it intends to cease offering wireline broadband Internet access service on a tariffed basis. Effective July 1, 2016, Fremont will begin offering wireline broadband Internet access service on a Title II, common carriage, permissive detariffed basis pursuant to paragraph 94 of the Federal Communications Commission's Wireline Broadband Order. ¹ The geographic areas affected are those Fremont exchanges where DSL is technically feasible.

Today, the only customer of this service is Fremont's nonregulated affiliate Internet Service Provider ("ISP"). The affiliate purchases wireline broadband access service for use as a component in its broadband Internet service sold to residential and business consumers. End user service provided by the affiliate will not be affected by discontinuance of the tariffed offering by Fremont. As stated in the attached customer notice, Fremont will continue to offer services to existing ISP customer(s) under current rates, terms and conditions until the end of their current term or upon replacement with a Broadband Commercial Agreement. Broadband Commercial Agreements will be made available in a nondiscriminatory manner to any provider desiring to purchase wireline broadband access service for use as a component in its broadband Internet service sold to consumers.

Effective July 1, 2016, Fremont will make its wireline broadband Internet access service on a permissive detariffed, common carriage basis through posting of rates, terms and conditions at www.fremontsolutions.com. Printed copies will also be available during normal business hours at Fremont's headquarters located at 1221 North Russell Street, Missoula, MT 59808.

¹ See Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities, Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers, CC Docket No. 02-33, WC Docket No. 05-271, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005), FCC 05-150 (Rel. September 23, 2005), (Wireline Broadband Order)



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Fremont Telcom Co. dba Fremont Communications Jason Williams 1221 North Russell Street Missoula, MT 59808

Re: Service Notification

Dear Mr. Williams:

Our records indicate that Fremont Telcom Co. dba Fremont Communications is currently purchasing wholesale broadband transport services from Fremont Telcom Co. dba Fremont Communications (Fremont) pursuant to NECA Tariff No. 5 ("Tariff"). This letter is to advise you that Fremont. study area 472222 will discontinue provisioning service on July 1, 2016 pursuant to the Tariff. Services will be made available to you on a common carrier, non-tariffed basis. The existing relevant rates, terms and conditions will not change until the end of your term or until replaced by a Broadband Commercial Agreement.

The rates, terms and conditions for the Broadband Commercial Agreement will be posted on the following website: www.fremontsolutions.com. Printed copies are also available during normal business hours at the Fremont headquarters located at 1221 North Russell Street, Missoula, Montana 59808.

The actions described above are taken in accordance with the FCC's Report and Order (FCC 05-150) released September 23, 2005 in Docket No. 02-33. In this order the FCC determined that facilities-based wireline broadband internet service providers could offer their services on a common carrier, permissively detariffed basis.

No action is necessary on your part. However, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Michelle Queno

Michelle Owens

Carrier and Regulatory Specialist carrierrelations@blackfoot.com

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Michelle Owens, do certify that I have, on this 7th day of April 2016, served by first class mail a copy of the foregoing **Notice of Permissive Detariffing of Wireline Broadband Internet Access Service** to the following:

Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter 700 W. Jefferson St., Boise, ID 83720

Idaho Public Utilities Commission P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074 Secretary of Defense Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications Pentagon Washington, DC 20301